

day of *May* next coming, within this Realm of *England*, that the Sheriff having a Precept directed to him, shall return *xxiv*. Persons dwelling within the Shire where such Riot, Rout, or unlawful Assembly shall be so committed and done, whereof every of them shall have Lands and Tenements within the same Shire to the yearly value of *xx. s.* of Charter Land or Freehold, or *xxvi. s. viii. d.* of Copyhold, or of both, over and above all Charges, for to inquire of the said Riot, Rout, or unlawful Assembly. (7) And he shall return upon every person so by him impanelled, in Issues, at the first day *xx. s.* and at the second day *xl. s.* if they appear not, and be sworn to inquire of the Premises at the first day. (8) And if default be in the Sheriff or Under-sheriff, for returning of other persons, not being of the said Sufficiency, or return not Issues in form aforesaid, that then the said Sheriff shall forfeit to our Sovereign Lord the King, for either default therein, *xx. li.* (9) And if the said Riot, Rout, or unlawful Assembly be not found by the said Jury, by reason of any Maintenance or Embracery of the said Jurors, then the same Justices and the Sheriff, or Under-sheriff, over and above all such Certificate that they must and be bound to make, according to the said Statute made the said *xiiij.* Year, shall in the same Certificate certify the Names of the Maintainers and Embracers in that behalf, if any be, with their Misdemeanors that they know, upon pain of every of the said Justices and Sheriff, or Under-sheriff, to forfeit *xx.li.* if the same Justices and Sheriff, or Under-sheriff have no reasonable Excuse for non-certifying of the same; (10) which Certificate so made shall be of like force and effect in the Law, as if the matter contained in the same were duly found by the Verdict of twelve Men: (11) And every person duly proved to be a Maintainer or Embracer of the same shall forfeit to our said Sovereign Lord *xx. li.* and as well the same Maintainers as the Embracers *shall be committed to Ward, there to remain **275** by the Discretion of the Justices.

13 H. 4, c. 7. Jurors impanelled to inquire of Riots, and the Issues returned thereupon. The Punishment of Maintainers, whereby a Riot is not found.

2 H. 5, Stat. 1, c. 8. How many Jurors shall be returned to inquire of a Riot, and of what sufficiency they shall be. What Issues shall be returned upon the Jurors. The Sheriff's Forfeiture for omitting his Duty. Certificate of the Maintainers and Embracers, Carthew, 383. The Forfeitures of Maintainers and Embracers, whereby a Riot is not found.